GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7881
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BLAST FURNACE OF IISCO
SUNIL KHAN

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the blast furnace of IISCO, Burnpur has been damaged;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to rebuild the furnace;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL

(SHRI DILIP RAY)

(a) Out of 2 operating blast furnaces, namely BF No.3&4, No.4 suffered hearth break out in December`98 and No.3 in March and April, 2000.

(b) The exact reason for the hearth break out could not be established, though it can be attributed to one or a combination of a number of factors like excessive tuyeres burning, excessive wear of the refractories of hearth walls, inadequate cooling of refractories etc.

(c) to (e): The relining of BF No.4&3 has been planned during 2001-02 and 2002-03.